

**Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study**  
**Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 11, 2016**

In attendance:

Scott Reigle	BMTS
Christine Muss	BCHD
Nick Ceconi	MMSCNY
Marie Helodon	NYS-DOT
Stacy McCabe	BCHD
Aimee Grace	BCHD
Cassandra Gascon	BMTS
Katy Mangan	NYS DOT
Stephanie Brewer	BC Planning

Convene 1:30 p.m.

November 9<sup>th</sup> Minutes – Motion was made by Scott to approve minutes, seconded by Katy - accepted as is.

Topic	Discussion	Action
<b>Snacks &amp; Roadway Needs Report:</b>	- Nothing to report.	
<b>Newspaper Articles</b>	- Nothing to report.	
<b>BMTS Update</b>	- Scott updated the group that BMTS Director Cyndi Paddick has retired and Jenn Yonkoski has taken her place. They also have a new transportation engineer, Tom Sullivan who will be doing intersection analysis and traffic studies. He will also represent BMTS on both the county and city traffic safety boards.	
<b>Report:</b> Broome-Tioga Rideshare/Get There	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No updates from Broome-Tioga Rideshare.</li> <li>- Nick reported that the Get There program is down to one AmeriCorps member. They will also soon be hiring a new director.</li> <li>- They are also expecting solicitation for 5310 funding. This funding is specific for elderly and handicapped services that go above and beyond ADA requirements.</li> </ul>	
<b>Binghamton Bikeshare</b>	- No update. Table for next meeting.	

<b>Subcommittee-</b> Cycling Skills Clinics/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Christine reported that she will be working with the Windsor School District to conduct a cycling skills clinic and large-scale helmet distribution.</li> </ul>	
<b>Subcommittee-</b> Binghamton Bridge Pedal/ Report and Plans for 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scott reported that they will be setting up a subcommittee meeting soon to discuss the kids ride, UHS involvement and having produce at the event.</li> </ul>	
<b>Subcommittee-</b> Safe Route to School/Complete Streets –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Stacy reported that the RFP for Complete Streets has been sent out. This 5 year grant will work with Harpursville, Deposit, Johnson City and Binghamton City School districts.</li> <li>- BMTS will be working with the city planner in regards to the Complete Streets program. One area of concern is on State Street by Kmart. Currently it is a 4 lane road so they are looking at reducing it to a 2 lane road with a turning lane in the center and bike lanes on the shoulders. In addition, they will be looking at adding signage to the entrance to the Greenway by NY Pizzeria.</li> <li>- Marie commented on a similar issue in Vestal where there is a trail but no trailhead marker.</li> <li>- Scott noted that it is the municipalities' responsibility to add signage.</li> </ul>	
<b>Bike Route Map Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Please continue to send suggestions to Scott. Scott is also looking for a new cover photo.</li> <li>- Discussion ensued about putting the Park &amp; Rides on the map. Marie reported that only in the event that there is a community-wide request to have one will DOT consider pursuing the development of one. The community must also be able to provide a location. Once this happens, DOT will properly sign the location and it is then returned to the municipality where it is their responsibility to maintain it. DOT does not own the Park &amp; Rides so there is hesitation to include them on the Bike Route Map for liability reasons.</li> <li>- Scott is hoping for the map to be printed this summer.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Please send map change suggestions and comments to Scott.</b></p> <p><b>Please send Scott photos to be considered for the map cover.</b></p>
<b>Other-</b> Consolidated Funding Application Results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two Greenway projects have been awarded funding. One includes the preparation of design and construction documents for the westward Chugnut Trail Extension. The trail extension starts near the bridge at the Vestal Ave. &amp; River Terrace intersection in Endicott, extends to Mersereau Park, then to Round Top, to Grippen Park, to En-Joie Golf Course, to West Main Street and ending at Glendale Park.</li> <li>- The other portion of the funding will be used to construct the Route 434 Greenway from downtown Binghamton to Binghamton University. Katy described the most feasible route from the bridge at Conklin Ave. to Penn. Ave, to 434 (the trail will run on the south side of 434 with some sort of wall</li> </ul>	

	dividing the path from traffic) where there will be a connection into MacArthur Park, then crossing to Lennox Drive and then across University Plaza. The design draft will be done in February for public review with approval expected in June. The plan for groundbreaking is for September 2016.	
<b>Other-</b> Susq. River South Bank	- Scott reported that a trail is being completed from South Washington Street to the Exchange Street Bridge. At a previous meeting, Steven had suggested extending the trail eastward, past the bridge to Tompkins Street Bridge. The group looked at the possible path on google maps. This path would be a way for people to avoid traffic in the downtown area when travelling to upper Court Street.	<b>Scott would like to get a group of people together to walk the trail to see if it is feasible.</b>
<b>Other –</b> Advisory Committee Purpose & Work Plan Discussion	- The committee needs to take a look at what their priorities of focus will be this year. It was suggested to review the Bike and Pedestrian Plan updates. Scott suggested discussing these things as needed as it is important that BMTS focus on completing the Complete Streets grant.	
<b>Additional Others</b>	- None.	

Adjourn: 2:50 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 p.m.